

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Syuji TSUKAMOTO

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For: OPTICAL MULTI-LEVEL RECORDING MEDIUM AND OPTICAL MULTI-LEVEL
RECORDING METHOD (AS AMENDED)



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